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SUBJECT:    Applicant:    Peter A. Warren  
                 Serial No:    10/044,434  
                 Filed:        January 11, 2002  
                 For:          FOLDABLE MEMBER  
                 Docket No:    FM-212J

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment for the subject application. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$291.00 for two (2) additional independent claims and twenty-three (23) additional dependant claims.

If for any reason this Preliminary Amendment is found to be INCOMPLETE, or if at any time it appears that a TELEPHONE CONFERENCE with counsel would help advance prosecution, please telephone the undersigned or his associates, collect in Waltham, Massachusetts (781) 890-5678.

If any payment during prosecution is found to be incorrect, please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to my Deposit Account No. 09-0002. A copy of this letter is enclosed for use by the Finance Branch in the event that it is necessary to make any charge or credit to my deposit account.

In addition, pursuant to Rule 1.136(a)(3), the Office is hereby authorized to treat any future reply requiring an extension of time as incorporating a request therefor. Also, any request or Petition for an Extension of Time notwithstanding an inadvertent reference in the Petition to a shorter period of time is to be treated as requesting the appropriate length of time.

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Kindly acknowledge receipt of the foregoing by returning the enclosed self-addressed postcard.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Kirk Teska', written over a horizontal line.

Kirk Teska  
Reg. No. 36,291

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